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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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SUBJECT: State Educational Institutions; Credit Transfers.

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BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the Commission for Higher Education to create a common course numbering system, into which each state educational institution shall map its own course numbers, for courses in the Core Transfer Library.

The bill requires state educational institutions to create a Statewide Transfer General Education Core to be implemented by May 15, 2013.

The bill provides that an individual who holds an associate degree is considered to have met at least 30 semester credit hours of the general education requirements for a bachelor's degree. It also requires a state educational institution to accept an associate degree from another state educational institution as credit toward a related bachelor's degree.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Commission for Higher Education currently has the Core Transfer Library that lists courses that can be transferred between state educational institutions. The library currently has about 85 different courses. It lists courses offered at each state education institution with notes describing the acceptance of the course. The numbering system is different for each educational institution, so there could be some cost associated with matching their courses to the common numbering system. The cost would probably be minor. (Introduction to American Politics at Indiana University is POLY-Y103 but the course is American Government and Politics at Purdue, POL 10100).

There should be no fiscal impact associated with the identification and publishing at least 30 general education semester credit hours that if completed would not have to be repeated if the student attended another state educational institution. The Core Transfer Library has about 85 course ranging between 3 and 5 credit hours, and is published on the Core Transfer Library website.

The cost of requiring state educational institutions to create a Statewide Transfer General Education Core to be implemented by May 15, 2013 should be minor since the Core Transfer Library contains a lot of the courses that would be in the Statewide Transfer General Education Core.

Explanation of State Revenues: State educational institutions could have a reduction in student fee revenue if transfer students did not have to take as many classes. The reduction in revenue is unknown.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State educational institutions.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Indiana Core Transfer Library, <http://www.transferin.net/CTL.aspx> .

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